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MANENT SECRETARIES REPORT

FOLLOWING IS REVISED REPORT FROM THE PERMANENT SECRETARIES TO THE COUNCIL WHICH REFLECTS THE FACT THAT THE SPANISH GOVT HAS FOUND A SITE FOR THE COMBINED MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF.

BEGIN TEXT:

REPORT TO THE COUNCIL FROM THE PERMANENT SECRETARIES

SINCE THE TREATY OF FRIENDSHIP AND COOPERATION CAME INTO EFFECT ON SEPTEMBER 21, 1976, COOPERATION HAS BEEN OUTSTANDING BOTH IN THE CREATION OF THE CONSIDERABLE STRUCTURE PROVIDED FOR IN THE TREATY AND IN THE CARRYING OUT OF THE TASKS ASSIGNED TO THE SEVERAL JOINT COMMITTEES BY THE TREATY.

THE ONLY MAJOR BODY PROVIDED FOR IN THE TREATY WHICH HAS NOT YET BEEN INAUGURATED IS THE COMBINED MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF. ITS INAUGURATION HAS AWAITED THE PREPARATION
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IN MADRID OF AN ADEQUATE SITE, WHICH WOULD ALSO SERVE FOR THE USE OF THE COUNCIL AND THE COMMITTEES. THE SPANISH GOVERNMENT HAS NOW OBTAINED SUCH A SITE.

APPENDED ARE REPORTS FROM THE SEVERAL JOINT COMMITTEES OF THE COUNCIL ON THEIR ACTIVITIES, AS WELL AS A PRELIMINARY REPORT FROM THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION WITH NATO WHICH WAS

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REQUESTED BY THE COUNCIL AT ITS MEETING AT THE LEVEL OF PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVES ON FEBRUARY 9. THESE REPORTS DOD NOT RAISE MAJOR ISSUES WHICH REQUIRE DECISION BY THE COUNCIL AT THIS TIME.

HOWEVER, THE COUNCIL'S ATTENTION IS INVITED TO
-- THE SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE REPORT OF THE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON COORDINATION WITH NATO;
-- THE CONCERN OF THE SPANISH SIDE OF THE JOINT ECONOMIC COMMITTEE THAT THE COMMITTEE'S EFFORTS BE INTENSIFIED; AND
-- THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE JOINT MILITARY COMMITTEE REGARDING EARLY ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COMBINED MILITARY COORDINATION AND PLANNING STAFF AND THE DEVELOPMENT OF ITS ACTIVITIES.

THE PERMANENT SECRETARIES ALSO WISH TO DRAW TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL THAT PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE IN THE JOINT COMMITTEES ON EDUCATIONAL CULTURAL AFFAIRS AND FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNOLOGICAL COOPERATION WHICH WILL INVOLVE A MUCH BROADER SPECTRUM OF SPANISH PARTICIPATION THAN WAS THE CASE UNDER PREVIOUS AGREEMENTS.

NO SHARED ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS HAVE BEEN INCURRED THUS FAR IN THE WORK OF THE COUNCIL AND ITS SUBSIDIARY BODIES. THE PERMANENT SECRETARIAT ITSELF HAS FUNCTIONED BY DRAWING ON THE NORMAL RESOURCES OF THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFIARS AND THE EMBASSY OF THE UNITED STATES IN MADRID.

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